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Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of Me.—St. John v. 39.

Whatsoever things were written aforetime, were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.—Romans xv. 4.

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PREFACE.

THE following little work was compiled by the authoress for her own edification and instruction; but, on showing it to several of her friends, they solicited her to commit it to the press. In that request I concurred, thinking that the arrangement of texts in the way of Prayers or Precepts, expressive of the wants and wishes of the believer's heart, throughout the varied phases of the christian life, with corresponding answers on the opposite page from the rich treasure of the Gospel promises, would be edifying and full of comfort to the sick, the ignorant, and, indeed, the religious community under its widest designation.

How far these ends may be attained, it is impossible to foresee; but, whatever may be the defects which inadvertence may have admitted into it, it is the hope and prayer, both of the compiler and of those who have requested the publication, that it may, by the blessing of God, be read with profit in the hour of sorrow and in the chamber of sickness.

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GUIDANCE.

TEACH me Thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path.—PSALM xxvii. 11 to last clause.

With my whole heart have I sought Thee. O let me not wander from Thy commandments.

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee.—PSALM cxix. 10, 11.

O that my ways were directed to keep Thy statutes.—PSALM cxix. 5.

GUIDANCE.

What man is he that feareth the Lord? him shall He teach in the way that he shall choose.—PSALM xxv. 12.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not to thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.—PROV. iii. 5, 6.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.—ST. JOHN xiv. 6.

Cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto Thee.—PSALM cxliii. 8, second and third clauses.

Show me Thy ways, O Lord; teach me Thy paths.—PSALM xxv. 4.

Lead me in Thy truth and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on Thee do I wait all the day.—PSALM xxv. 5.

Let my cry come before Thee, O Lord; give me understanding according to Thy word.—PSALM cxix. 169.

Thine ears shall hear a word behind thee saying, This is the way; walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand and when ye turn to the left.—ISAIAH xxx. 21.

He led him about, He instructed him, He kept him as the apple of His eye.—DEUT. xxxii. 10, second clause.

Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will show you things to come.—ST. JOHN xvi. 13.

I will instruct thee, and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.—PSALM xxxii. 8.

Teach me to do Thy will; for Thou art my God: Thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.—PSALM cxliii. 10.

That which I see not, teach Thou me; if I have done iniquity, I will do no more. —JOB xxxiv. 32.

I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without Me ye can do nothing.

And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.—ST. JOHN xv. 5. ISAIAH. xlii. 16.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.—ST. JAMES i. 5; iii. 17.

Teach me good judgment and knowledge; for I have believed Thy commandments.—PSALM cxix. 66.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes, and I shall keep it unto the end.—PSALM cxix. 33.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep Thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.—PSALM cxix. 34.

But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding?—JOB xxviii. 12.

The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He shall teach you all things.—ST. JOHN xiv. 26 to last clause.

Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed: and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—ST. JOHN viii. 31, 32.

And thou, Solomon My son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee. —1 CHRON. xxviii. 9 to last clause.

It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man, therefore, that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.—PSALM cxxxix. 23, 24.

Thou wilt show me the path of life: in Thy presence is fulness of joy: at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.—PSALM xvi. 11.

There be many that say, Who will show us any good? Lord, lift Thou up the light *of Thy* countenance upon us.—PSALM iv. 6.

Not that any man hath seen the Father, save He which is of God, He hath seen the Father.—ST. JOHN vi. 45, 46.

I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

Thus saith the Lord thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way thou shouldst go. —JER. xvii. 10; ISAIAH xlviii. 17.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheep-fold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

I am the door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.—ST. JOHN x. 1, 9.

I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

For I know that in me (that is in my flesh) dwelleth no good thing; for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.—ROM. vii. 18.

That which is far off and exceeding deep, who can find it out?

I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason of things.

I said, I will be wise; but it was far from me.—ECCLES vii. 24, 25, 1st clause, and 23, last clause.

Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.—St. John viii. 12. Rom. xv. 13.

The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him; and He will shew them His covenant.

For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever.—Psalm xxv. 14; xxxvii. 28, to last clause.

God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty. But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, Who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

That according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.—St. Matt. xviii. 3. 1 Cor. i. 27, 30, 31.

PARDON AND SANCTIFICATION.

I said, Lord, be merciful unto me; heal my soul; for I have sinned against Thee.—PSALM xli. 4.

Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.—PSALM li. 2, 3.

God be merciful to me a sinner.—ST. LUKE xviii. 13, last clause.

PARDON AND SANCTIFICATION.

Let Israel hope in the Lord: for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption.

And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.—PSALM CXXX. 7, 8.

The blood of Jesus Christ His Son, cleanseth us from all sin.

If we confess our sins, He is just and faithful to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.—1 ST. JOHN i. 7, last clause, and verse 9.

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came

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Enter not into judgment with Thy servant, O Lord, for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified.—PSALM cxliii. 2.

Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions, according to Thy mercy, remember Thou me for Thy goodness sake, O Lord.—PSALM xxv. 7.

Deliver me from all my transgressions. —PSALM xxxix. 8, first clause.

into the world to save sinners.—1 TIM. i. 15 to last cause.

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.—ROM. viii. 1.

I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against Me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against Me.—JER. xxxiii. 8.

He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way; and

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Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Thy loving-kindness: according unto the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.—PSALM li. 1.

Order my steps in Thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.—PSALM cxix. 133.

We have transgressed and have rebelled: Thou hast not pardoned.

the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.—ISAIAH liii. 5, 6.

All things are of God, Who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

To wit, that God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them.—2 COR. v. 18, 19, to last clause.

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.—ISAIAH lv. 7.

And Samuel said, Fear not ye have done all this wickedness, yet turn not aside from

Thou hast covered Thyself with a cloud, that our prayer should not pass through. —LAM. iii. 42, 44.

For Thy Name's sake, O Lord, pardon mine iniquity; for it is great.—PSALM xxv. 11.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble.

For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance; they that

following the Lord, but serve the Lord with all your heart.

For the Lord will not forsake His people, for His great Name's sake; because it hath pleased the Lord to make you His people.—1 SAM. xii. 20, 22.

I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins; return unto Me; for I have redeemed thee. —ISAIAH xliv. 22.

But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometime were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

He is our peace Who hath made both one, [i. e. hath made both Jews and Gentiles one body in Christ,] and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us.

For through Him we both have access

did see me without fled from me.—PSALM xxxi. 9, first part 10, 11.

Innumerable evils have compassed me about; mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me.—PSALM xl. 12.

O remember not against us former iniquities: let Thy tender mercies speedily prevent us: for we are brought very low.—PSALM lxxix. 8.

O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure.—PSALM vi. 1.

by one Spirit unto the Father.—Ephes. ii. 13, 14, 18.

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. —ISAIAH i. 18.

I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities I will remember no more.—HEB. viii. 12.

The Lord Thy God is a merciful God. He will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.—DEUT. iv. 31.

Look Thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as Thou usest to do unto those that love Thy name.—PSALM cxix. 132.

God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.—ECCLES. xii. 14.

O Lord, I beseech Thee, let now Thine ear be attentive to the prayer of Thy servant, and to the prayer of Thy servants who desire to fear Thy name; and prosper, I pray Thee, Thy servant this day, and grant him mercy.—NEHEM. i. 11, to last clause.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

He will not always chide, neither will He keep His anger for ever.—PSALM ciii. 8, 9.

The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Rom. vi. 23.

God is love.

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.—1 ST. JOHN iv. 8, last clause, 9, 10.

I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the Lord my God.

And said, O my God, I am ashamed, and blush to lift up my face to Thee, my God : for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up into the heavens.—EZRA ix. 5 last clause, 6.

David said unto the Lord, I have sinned greatly in that I have done : and now, I beseech Thee, O Lord, take away the iniquity of Thy servant ; for I have done very foolishly.—2 SAM. xxiv. 10, after first clause.

Lord save us : we perish.—ST. MATT. viii. 25, last clause.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.—PSALM ciii. 10—12.

If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

And He is the propitiation for our sins; and not for our's only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

And hereby we do know that we know Him if we keep His commandments.—1 ST. JOHN ii. 1 second clause, 2, 3.

He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.—HEB. vii. 25.

Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvatlon.—PSALM lxxxv. 7.

Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.—PSALM li. 11.

Make Thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for Thy mercies' sake.—PSALM xxxi. 16.

God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and He in us, because He hath given us of His Spirit.—1 St. John iv. 16, second clause, 13.

All that the Father giveth Me, shall come to Me; and him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.

And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.—St. John vi. 37. Gal. iv 6.

For God, Who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

For He hath made Him to be sin for us,

I entreated Thy favour with my whole heart; be merciful unto me according to Thy word.—PSALM cxix. 58.

Hold up my goings in Thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.

Keep me as the apple of Thine eye; hide me under the shadow of Thy wings.—PSALM xvii. 5, 8.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us.—PSALM lxvii. 1.

Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.—2 COR. iv. 6; v. 21.

My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.—PHIL. iv. 19.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.—PSALM lxxxiv. 11.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.

Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. —EPHES. i. 3, 2.

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.—PSALM li. 10.

Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Nicodemus saith unto Him, How can a man be born when he is old?—ST. JOHN iii. 3, 4.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not.—LAM. iii. 22.

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you.—EZEK. xxxvi. 26, first clause.

Whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.

And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is true; and and we are in Him that is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.—1 ST. JOHN v. 18, 20.

Thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.—PSALM cxvi. 8, 9.

Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law.—PSALM cxix. 18.

The carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.—ROM. viii. 7.

Lord, if thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean.—ST. MATT. viii. 2, second clause.

We have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.—1 Cor. ii. 12, 14.

And such were some of you; but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.—1 Cor. vi. 11.

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean; from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and

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What is man that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman that he should be righteous?

Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? Not one.—JOB xv. 14; xiv. 4.

I am the Lord your God, ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy: for I am holy.

There is none holy as the Lord, for there

ye shall keep My judgments, and do them. EZEK. xxxvi. 25, 27.

They that are in the flesh cannot please God.

But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God —ROM. viii. 8, 9, 11, 14.

Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.

is none beside Thee: neither is there any rock like our God.

Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity.—LEV. xi. 44, first and second clauses. 1 SAM. ii. 2. HAB. i. 13, first clause.

I (Paul) therefore the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.

Not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind. Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart.—EPHES. iv. 1, 17 last clause, 18.

Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God, your whole spirit, and soul, and body, be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.—1 St. Pet. iii. 18. 2 Tim. i. 9. 1 Thess. v. 23.

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead;

And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.

Therefore, if any man be in Christ he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold all things are become new. —2 Cor. v. 14, 15, 17.

PEACE.

ACQUAINT now thyself with Him, and be at peace; thereby good shall come unto thee.—JOB xxii. 21.

Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto Thee daily.

PEACE.

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you, through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus Christ our Lord.

According as His divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

Whereby are given to us exceeding great and precious promises.—2 St. Pet. i. 2, 3, 4, first clause.

These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye

Rejoice the soul of Thy servant, for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.—PSALM lxxxvi. 3, 4.

Come, and let us return unto the Lord; for He hath torn, and He will heal us; He hath smitten, and He will bind us up. —HOSEA vi. 1.

Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth away as a cloud.—JOB xxx. 15.

shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.—ST. JOHN xvi. 33.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

Then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you.

And ye shall seek Me, and ye shall find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart.—JER. xxix. 11—13.

Then He (Jesus) saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea: and there was a great calm.—St. MATT. viii. 26.

And I said, Oh, that I had wings like a a dove! for then would I fly away, and be at rest.—PSALM lv. 6.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgment; not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring me to nothing.—JER. x. 24.

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.—ROM. xii. 18.

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest.—2 COR. v. 1. JOB iii. 17.

For whom the Lord loveth He correcteth: even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness, unto them which are exercised thereby.—PROV. iii. 12. HEB. xii. 11.

When a man's ways please the Lord, He maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.—PROV. xvi. 7.

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.—PSALM xxxiv. 14.

Put on, therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering;

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you so also do ye.

And above all these things, put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.—Col. iii. 12—15.

HUMILITY.

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, hear me: for I am poor and needy.—PSALM lxxxvi. 1.

Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.—PROV. xvi. 18.

Deliver the poor and needy.—PSALM lxxxii. 4, first clause.

I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.—PSALM cix. 22.

HUMILITY.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart: and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.—PSALM xxxiv. 18.

God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.—ST. JAMES iv. 6, last clause.

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.—ST. MATT. v. 3.

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.—PSALM cxlvii. 3.

Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the rich.—PROV. xvi. 19.

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up.—ST. JAMES iv. 10.

I am small and despised: yet do not I forget Thy precepts.—PSALM cxix. 141.

Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.—ROMANS xii. 16, second clause.

The Lord preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and He helped me.

Return unto thy rest, O my soul; the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee.—PSALM cxvi. 6, 7.

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree.—ST. LUKE i. 46—48, 52.

To this man will I look (saith the Lord), even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My word.—ISAIAH lxvi. 2, first and second clauses.

Though the Lord be high, yet hath He respect unto the lowly; but the proud He knoweth afar off.—PSALM cxxxviii. 6.

Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before Thee:

And am no more worthy to be called Thy son.—St. Luke xv. 18 last clause, 19 first clause.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.—PSALM li. 17.

OBEDIENCE.

YE shall walk after the Lord your God, and fear Him, and keep His commandments, and obey His voice, and ye shall serve Him, and cleave unto Him.—DEUT. xiii. 4.

Now, therefore, fear the Lord, and serve Him in sincerity and in truth.—JOSHUA xxiv. 14, first clause.

This thing commanded I, saying, Obey My voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be My people: and walk ye in all

OBEDIENCE.

For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.—ROMANS ii. 13.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven.—ST. MATT. vii. 21.

And this is His commandment, That we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another as He gave us commandment.

the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well with you.—JER. vii. 23.

And now what doth the Lord Thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

To keep the commandments of the Lord and His statutes.—DEUT. 10, 12, 13, to last clause.

Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.—1 SAM. xv. 22, last clause.

And he that keepeth His commandments dwelleth in Him, and He in him.

And hereby we know that He abideth in us, by the Spirit which He hath given us.—1 St. John iii. 23, 24.

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.—Phil. iv. 13.

Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I say?

Whosoever cometh to Me, and heareth My sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:

He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation

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It may be that the Lord will work for us.—1 SAM. xiv. 6, second clause.

Fear God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.—ECCLES. xii. 13.

on a rock; and when the flood arose, the stream beat violently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

But he that heareth and doeth not, is like a man that without foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.—St. Luke vi. 46—49.

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

For it is God that worketh in you, both to will and to do of His good pleasure.—Phil. ii. 12 last clause, and 13.

Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

But in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness is accepted with Him.

Shew me a token for good: because Thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me. — PSALM lxxxvi. 17, first and last clauses.

Your eyes have seen all the great acts of the Lord which He did.

Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you.—DEUT. xi. 7, 8, first clause.

Is He the God of the Jews only? is He not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also.

And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in; for God is able to graff them in again.—ACTS x. 34 last clause, and 35. ROM. iii. 29. ROM. xi. 23.

Hereby do we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.

He that saith, I know Him, and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

But whoso keepeth His word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know that we are in Him.—1 ST. JOHN ii. 3—5.

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children;

Judge not, that ye be not judged.

For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. —St. Matt. vii. 1, 2.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.—Psalm cxli. 3.

To such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.—PSALM ciii. 17, 18.

Therefore, thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself: for thou that judgest doest the same things.

But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.—ROM. ii. 1, 2.

If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widow in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.—ST. JAMES i. 26, 27.

I must work the works of Him that sent Me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work.—ST. JOHN ix. 4.

In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether shall both be alike good.—ECCLES. xi. 6.

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.—ECCLES. ix. 10.

Let us not be weary in well-doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.—GAL. vi. 9, 10.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.—1 COR. xv. 58.

Be not slothful in business; fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.

When ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants; we have done that which was our duty to do.—ROM. xii. 11. ST. LUKE xvii. 10.

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.—PROV. iv. 23.

He that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he.

Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest: because that for this thing the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.—PROV. xiv. 21, last clause. DEUT. xv. 10.

Give alms of such things as ye have.

If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not.—ST. LUKE xi. 41, first clause. 2 COR. viii. 12.

Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

A good man out of the good treasure of the heart, bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.—St. Matt. xii. 34 last clause, 35.

He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give: not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver.—2 Cor. ix. 6, 7.

Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

Silver and gold have I none, but such as

My beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Cease from anger and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.—St. James i. 19. Psalm xxxvii. 8. St. James i. 20.

Be not hasty in the spirit to be angry; for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.—Eccles. vii. 9. Prov. xiv. 17.

A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.

I have give I thee.—St. Matt. x. 42. Acts iii. 6, first clause.

He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the Lord.—Prov. xvi. 32, 33.

He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding.

Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath.

The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.—Prov. xiv. 29, first clause. Ephes. iv. 26. Prov. xix. 11.

A soft answer turneth away wrath.

Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things, moving his lips, he bringeth evil to pass.

A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.

A froward man soweth strife, and a whisperer separateth chief friends.

He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth slander, is a fool.

In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin; but he that refraineth his lips is wise.

It is sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.—PROV. xvi. 29, 30; xv. 18; xvi. 28; x. 18, 19, 23.

In six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are healed unto the day of redemption.

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

For he who loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

And this commandment have we from Him,

That he who loveth God, loveth his brother also.—PROV. xv. 1, first clause; xvi. 24. EPHES. iv. 32. 1 ST. JOHN iv. 20 last clause, 21.

If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and

I am the Lord your God:

Hallow My sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between Me and you, that ye may know that I am the Lord your God.—EXOD. xx. 11. EZEK. xx. 19 first clause, 20.

Then said Jesus, I will ask you one thing: Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life or to destroy it?

The ruler of the synagogue answered

shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:

Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord.

Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is.

For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.—ISAIAH lviii. 13, 14. HEB. x. 22, 25, first clause. ST. MATT. xviii. 20.

The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath.

And He (Jesus) said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on

with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.—St. Luke vi. 9; xiii. 14.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.—Ephes. vi. 1.

the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out?

How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.

And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.

And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

And he laid His hands on her; and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.—St. Mark ii. 27. St. Matt. xii. 11, 12. St. Luke xiii. 10—13.

Now I say, that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all:

But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the Father.—Gal. iv. 1, 2.

Honour thy father and mother: which is the first commandment with promise,

That it may be well with thee.—EPHES. vi. 2, 3, first clause.

My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother;

For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck. —PROV. i. 8, 9.

Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding. —PROV. iv. 1.

And He (Jesus) went down with them (His parents), and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man:

And the grace of God was upon Him.—St. Luke ii. 51 to last clause 52, 40 last clause.

Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.

When thou goest, it shall lead thee: when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee: and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.—Prov. vi. 21, 22.

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

They shall be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.—Prov. iii. 13, 22.

Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying.—PROV. xix. 18.

And ye, fathers, provoke not your children to wrath; but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.—EPHES. vi. 4.

Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged.—COL. iii. 21.

And the Lord said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?

For I know him that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord:

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.—GEN. xviii. 17, 19, first clause. DEUT. vi. 4—7.

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.—PROV. xxii. 6.

Honour widows that are widows indeed.

If any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents, for that is good and acceptable before God.—1 TIM. v. 3, 4.

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.—COL. iii. 18, 19.

The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.

Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.—PROV. xxiii. 24, 25.

And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God shall be my God.—RUTH i. 16.

Have ye not read, that He which made them at the beginning made them male and female,

And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

Wherefore they are are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Servants obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eye-service as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God.

And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;

Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.—COL. iii. 22—24.

Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband.

Her price is far above rubies. — ST. MATT. xix. 4, second clause, 5, 6. EPHES. v. 33. PROV. xii. 4, first clause; xxxi. 10, last clause.

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

Verily, I say unto you, that he shall make him ruler over all his goods.—ST. MATT. xxiv. 42, 45—47.

Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again;

Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.—TITUS ii. 9, 10.

Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.

For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.

And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

And his master saw that the Lord was with him, and that the Lord made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.

And it came to pass, from the time that he had made him overseer of his house, and over all that he had, that the Lord blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the Lord was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.—GEN. xxxix. 2—5.

Whoso keepeth the fig-tree shall eat the fruit thereof; so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their

For what glory is it, if when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.—1 St. Peter ii. 18—20.

Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal.

Forbearing threatening; knowing that your Master also is in heaven.—Col. iv., first clause. Ephes. vi. 9, second and third clauses.

prayers; but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?

But and if ye suffer for righteousness sake, happy are ye.

For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well-doing, than for evil-doing.

But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.—PROV. xxvii. 18. 1 ST. PETER iii. 12, 14, first clause, 17; iv. 13.

Thou shalt not rule over him (thy servant) with rigour; but shalt fear thy God.

Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving.—LEV. xxv. 43. COL. iv. 2.

FOR STRENGTH AND PATIENCE.

My heart is sore pained within me, and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.

Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me.—Psalm lv. 4, 5.

My soul melteth for very heaviness; strengthen Thou me according unto Thy word.—Psalm cxix. 28.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak; O Lord, heal me; for my bones are vexed.—Psalm vi. 2.

FOR STRENGTH AND PATIENCE.

Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord.—PSALM xxvii. 14.

In God is my salvation and my glory; the rock of my strength and my refuge is in God.—PSALM lxii. 7.

My grace is sufficient for thee; for My strength is made perfect in weakness.—2 COR. xii. 9, first clause.

O Lord, how long shall I cry, and Thou wilt not hear?—HABAKKUK i. 2, first clause.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.—PSALM cxxi. 1, 2.

Hide not Thy face far from me; put not Thy servant away in anger; Thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.—PSALM xxvii. 9.

I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.—MICAH vii. 7.

Cast not away your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward.

For ye have need of patience, that after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

For yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry.—HEB. x. 35—37.

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea I will help thee; yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness.—ISAIAH xli. 10.

Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid; neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.—JOSHUA i. 9.

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold the husband-

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When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the Lord; and my prayer came in unto Thee, into Thine holy temple.—JONAH ii. 7.

The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; forsake not the works of Thine own hands.—PSALM cxxxviii. 8.

I said, my strength and my hope is perished from the Lord.—LAM. iii. 18.

man waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts; for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

Behold, we count them happy which endure.—ST. JAMES v. 7, 8, 11, first clause.

He that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is His name.

His mercy is on them that fear Him from generation to generation.—ST. LUKE i. 49, 50.

As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. —JOSHUA i. 5, second and third clauses.

He giveth power to the faint, and to them that have no might, He increaseth strength.—ISAIAH xl. 29.

O that I might have my request; and that God would grant me the thing that I long for!—JOB vi. 8.

Lord, why castest Thou off my soul? why hidest Thou Thy face from me?—PSALM lxxxviii. 14.

It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.—LAM. iii. 26.

Delight thyself also in the Lord: and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. —PSALM xxxvii. 4, 5.

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.—ST. JAMES i. 2—4.

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him.

The meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.—PSALM xxxvii. 7, first clause, and 11.

WANDERING FROM GOD.

I HAVE gone astray like a lost sheep: seek Thy servant, for I do not forget Thy commandments.—PSALM cxix. 176.

WANDERING FROM GOD.

For thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.

As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.

I will feed My flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord God.—EZEK. xxxiv. 11, 12, 15.

Therefore turn thou to thy God; keep mercy and judgment, and wait on thy God continually.—HOSEA xii. 6.

Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept Thy word.

It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn Thy statutes.—PSALM cxix. 67, 71.

O Israel, return unto the Lord thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.—HOSEA xiv. 1.

For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel: In returning and rest shall ye be saved: in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.—ISAIAH xxx. 15.

We glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience:

And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.—ROMANS v. 3—5.

Who is a God like unto Thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He retaineth not his anger for ever, because He delighteth in mercy.

He will turn again, He will have compassion: He will subdue our iniquities.—MICAH vii. 18, 19, to last clause.

Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the Lord your God: and the Lord will repent Him of the evil He hath pronounced against you.—JER. xxvi. 13.

Turn Thou us unto Thee, O Lord, and we shall be turned: renew our days as of old.—LAM. v. 21.

I have seen his ways and will heal him: I will lead him also and restore comforts unto him.—ISAIAH lvii. 18, to last clause.

If ye turn unto Me, and keep My commandments and do them, though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them into the place that I have chosen to set My name there. —NEH. i. 9.

WORLDLY TEMPTATION.

INCLINE my heart unto Thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.—PSALM cxix. 36.

For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.—ROMANS vii. 19.

And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.

WORLDLY TEMPTATION.

Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand.

Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.—PHIL. iv. 5, 6.

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.—GAL. v. 16. COL. iii. 2.

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things

Thou didst hide Thy face, and I was troubled.—PSALM xxx. 6, 7, last clause.

He that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days: and at his end shall be a fool.—JER. xvii. 11, last clause.

He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house.—PROV. xv. 27, first clause.

Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.

as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.—HEB. xiii. 5.

Love not the world nor the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

And the world passeth away and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.—1 ST. JOHN ii. 15, 17.

The love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.—1 TIM. vi. 10.

Godliness with contentment is great gain.

For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

And they covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.—MICAH ii. 1, 2.

Watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing but the flesh is weak.—ST. MATT. xxvi. 41.

Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken Thou me in Thy way. —PSALM cxix. 37.

And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content.

But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare.—1 TIM. vi. 6—9, first clause.

In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things to come,

Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.—ROMANS viii. 37—39.

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal;

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

Now therefore, thus saith the Lord of Hosts, Consider your ways.

Ye have sown much, and bring in little: ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages, earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.

Thus saith the Lord of Hosts, Consider your ways.—HAGGAI i. 5—7.

Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain, he heapeth up riches and knoweth not who shall gather them.—PSALM xxxix. 6.

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.—ST. MATT. vi. 19—21.

Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of Man shall give unto you: for Him hath God the Father sealed.

Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.—ST. JOHN vi. 27. 1 TIM. iv. 8, after first clause.

I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.

But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be which thou hast provided?

So is he that layeth up treasure for him-

If riches increase, set not your heart upon them.—PSALM lxii. 10, second clause.

The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way.

Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with His hand.

self, and is not rich toward God.—St. Luke xii. 19—21.

Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, Who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;

Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.—1 Tim. vi. 17—19.

For we have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities: but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

For in that He Himself hath suffered

We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair:

Persecuted, but not forsaken: cast down, but not destroyed.—PSALM xxxvii. 23, 24. 2 COR. iv. 8, 9.

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being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted.—HEB. iv. 15; ii. 18.

DEPRESSION OF SPIRITS.

WHY art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise Him, Who is the health of my countenance and my God.—PSALM xlii. 11.

Mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.—PSALM xxxviii. 4.

Look (Thou) upon my affliction, and my pain, and forgive all my sins.—PSALM xxv. 18.

DEPRESSION OF SPIRITS.

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried to my God: and He did hear my voice out of His temple, and my cry did enter into His ears.—2 SAM. xxii. 7.

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee.—PSALM lv. 22, first clause.

I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.—JER. xxxi. 34, last clause.

Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, for I am desolate and afflicted.

The troubles of my heart are enlarged, O bring Thou me out of my distresses.—PSALM xxv. 16, 17.

My soul is also sore vexed: but Thou, O Lord, how long?

Return, O Lord, deliver my soul: oh, save me, for Thy mercies' sake.—PSALM vi. 3, 4.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry: hold not Thy peace at my tears.—PSALM xxxix. 12, first and second clauses.

My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?"—PSALM xlii. 3.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee.—ISAIAH xxvi. 3.

For the Lord will not cast off for ever:

But though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His mercies:

For He doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.—LAM. iii. 31—33.

Thou shalt weep no more: He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when He shall hear it, He will answer thee.—ISAIAH xxx. 19, after first clause.

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

My spirit is overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate.

I stretch forth my hands unto Thee: my soul thirsteth after Thee as a thirsty land.—PSALM cxliii. 4, 6.

Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: I looked for some to take pity, but there was none, and for comforters, but I found none.—PSALM lxix. 20.

Wilt Thou not revive us again; that Thy

By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.—ROMANS v. 1, 2.

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

I will pour out My Spirit unto you, I will make known My words unto you.—ST. JOHN xiv. 27. PROV. i. 23, last clause.

Into Thine hand I commit my spirit. Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

As a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.—PSALM xxxi. 5; ciii. 13.

For thus saith the High and Lofty One

people may rejoice in Thee? — PSALM lxxxv. 6.

I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim: I water my couch with my tears.

Mine eye is consumed because of my grief.—PSALM vi. 6, 7, first clause.

Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled I cannot speak.—PSALM lxxvii. 4.

Hear me, O Lord; for Thy loving kind-

that inhabiteth eternity, Whose Name is Holy, I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. —ISAIAH lvii. 15.

Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.—ST. MATT. xi. 28—30.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time:

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you.—1 ST. PETER v. 6, 7.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart,

ness is good: turn unto me according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies.

And hide not Thy face from Thy servant, for I am in trouble: hear me speedily.

Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it. PSALM lxix. 16, 17, 18, 1st clause.

Even to day is my complaint bitter: my stroke is heavier than my groaning.

Oh that I knew where I might find Him! —JOB xxiii. 2, 3.

Hear me speedily, O Lord: my spirit faileth: hide not Thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.—PSALM cxliii. 7.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me: make haste to help me, O Lord.—PSALM lxx. 1.

more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased.

I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.—PSALM iv. 7, 8.

Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.

Lo, I am with you, even unto the end of the world.—ST. MATT. xiv. 27; xxviii. 20, last clause.

The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee: and Thou givest them their meat in due season. —PLALM cxlv. 14, 15.

In His favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the

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I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in His word do I hope.

My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning.—PSALM cxxx. 5, 6, first clause.

Give us help from trouble, for vain is the help of man.—PSALM cviii. 12.

Although affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground:

Yet man is born unto trouble as the sparks fly upward.

I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause.—JOB v. 6, 7, 8.

morning.—PSALM xxx. 5, first and second clauses.

And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God: we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this is the Lord: we have waited for Him, we will be glad, and rejoice in His salvation.—ISAIAH xxv. 9.

The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble, and He knoweth them that trust in him.—NAHUM i. 7.

We know that all things work together for good to them that love God.

It is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.—ROM. viii. 28, first clause. 1 COR. ii. 9.

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God.—PSALM xviii. 6, first clause.

Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me; yet Thy commandments are my delight;

The righteousness of Thy testimonies is everlasting: give me understanding and I shall live.—PSALM cxix. 143, 144.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; mine eye is consumed with grief.—PSALM xxxi. 9, to last clause.

Remove Thy stroke away from me; I am consumed by the blow of Thine hand.—PSALM xxxix. 10.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear.—PSALM xlvi. 1, 2, first clause.

Thou which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth.

Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.—PSALM lxxi. 20, 21.

Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them out of their distresses.

And He led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation. —PSALM cvii. 6, 7.

He shall deliver them in six troubles; yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee.

O my God, my soul is cast down within me.—PSALM xlii. 6, first clause.

I said, I shall not see the Lord, even the Lord, in the land of the living.

I did mourn as a dove, mine eyes fail

In famine He shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the power of the sword.

Lo this, we have searched it, so it is: hear it, and know thou it for thy good.—JOB v. 19, 20, 27.

I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever:

Even the Spirit of truth, Whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you.—ST. JOHN xiv. 16—18.

They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again

with looking upward; O Lord, I am oppressed; undertake for me. — ISAIAH xxxviii. 11 first clause, 14 after first clause.

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with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.—PSALM CXXVI. 5, 6.

HEARING PRAYER.

But as for me, my prayer is unto Thee, O Lord, in an acceptable time; O God, in the multitude of Thy mercy hear me, in the truth of Thy salvation.—Psalm lxix. 13.

Give ear, O Lord, unto my prayer: and attend to the voice of my supplications.—Psalm lxxxvi. 6.

O Lord God of Hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob.—Psalm lxxxiv. 8.

HEARING PRAYER.

Receive not the grace of God in vain:
For He saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee; behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.—2 COR. vi. 1 last clause, 2.

If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.—ST. JOHN xv. 7.

And it shall come to pass before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.—ISAIAH lxv. 24.

Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not Thyself from the voice of my supplication.—PSALM lv. 1.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come unto Thee.—PSALM cii. 1.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, give ear to my supplications, in Thy faithfulness answer me, and in Thy righteousness.—PSALM cxliii. 1.

O my God, incline Thine ear and hear; for we do not present our supplications before Thee for our righteousnesses, but for Thy great mercies.—DAN. ix. 18, first and *last* clauses.

I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined unto me, and heard my cry.—PSALM xl. 1.

And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing, ye shall receive.

Yea, the Lord shall give that which is good.—ST. MATT. xxi. 22. PSALM lxxxv. 12, first clause.

And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us;

And if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him.—1 ST. JOHN v. 14, 15.

He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?—ROMANS viii. 32.

O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for Thine own sake, O my God.—DAN. ix. 19, to last clause.

Then hear Thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of Thy servants, and of Thy people Israel, when Thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk.—2 CHRON. vi. 27, first clause.

Men ought always to pray and not to faint.—ST. LUKE xviii. 1, last clause.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you;

For every one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

If ye then being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask Him!—ST. MATT. vii. 7, 8, 11.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers. — 1 ST. PETER iii. 12, to last clause.

The Lord is a God of judgment; blessed are all they that wait for Him.

I cried with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord: I will keep Thy statutes.—PSALM cxix. 145.

Now, I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me.—ROM. xv. 30.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth.

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear Him; He also will hear their cry, and will save them.

The Lord preserveth all them that love Him.—ISAIAH xxx. 18, second and third clauses. PSALM cxlv. 18, 19, 20, first clause.

Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth His will, him He heareth. —ST. JOHN ix. 31.

I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.—PHIL. i. 19. ST. JAMES v. 16, last clause.

O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?—St. Matt. xiv. 31, last clause.

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them.

Are not ye much better than they?

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow, they toil not, neither do they spin. And yet I say unto you that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?—ST. MATT. vi. 26, 27 second and third clauses, 29, 30.

DELIVERANCE

FROM

ADVERSARIES.

DELIVER me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.—PSALM xxvii. 12.

Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me.—PSALM xxxv. 1.

O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme Thy Name for ever?—PSALM lxxiv. 10.

DELIVERANCE

FROM

ADVERSARIES.

The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?—PSALM xxvii. 1.

I am with thee; and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee.—ACTS xviii. 10, first clause.

He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. God shall send forth His mercy and His truth.—PSALM lvii. 3.

Lead me, O Lord, in Thy righteousness, because of mine enemies: make Thy way straight before my face.—PSALM v. 8.

O Lord my God, in Thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me.—PSALM vii. 1.

Lord, how are they increased that trouble me! many are they that rise up against me.

Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in God.—PSALM iii. 1, 2.

Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it; deliver me because of mine enemies.

The wicked watcheth the righteous and seeketh to slay him.

The Lord will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.—PSALM xxxvii. 32, 33.

But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: He is their strength in the time of trouble, and the Lord shall help them and deliver them.

He shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in Him. —PSALM xxxvii. 39, 40.

I am with thee to save thee and to deliver thee, saith the Lord.

And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.—JER. xv. 20, last clause, 21.

If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory

Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries are all before Thee.

Reproach hath broken my heart.—PSALM lxix. 18, 19, 20, first clause.

Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God; defend me from them that rise up against me.—PSALM lix. 1.

Fret not thyself because of evil-doers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.—PSALM xxxvii. 1.

The enemy hath persecuted my soul: he hath smitten my life down to the ground, he hath made me to dwell in darkness.—PSALM cxliii. 3, to last clause.

and of God resteth upon you; on their part He is evil spoken of, but on your part He is glorified.—1 St. Peter iv. 14.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, Thou wilt revive me; Thou shalt stretch forth Thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and Thy right hand shall save me. —Psalm cxxxviii. 7.

The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.—Heb. xiii. 6.

Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.

And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray Thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw; and, behold, the moun

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Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might.

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. — EPHES. vi. 10—12.

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tain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.—2 KINGS vi. 16, 17.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you.

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him. — ST. JAMES iv. 7, 8, first clause; i. 12.

BEREAVEMENT.

MINE eye mourneth by reason of affliction. Lord, I have called upon Thee daily.—PSALM lxxxviii. 9.

If I be bereaved of my children I am bereaved.—GEN. xliii. 14, last clause.

BEREAVEMENT.

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not even as others which have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.—1 THESS. iv. 13, 14.

In heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven. —ST. MATT. xviii. 10, last clause.

Wilt Thou show wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise and praise Thee?—PSALM lxxxviii. 10.

A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping. Rachel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not.—JER. xxxi. 15.

Shall the loving-kindness of the Lord be declared in the grave? or Thy faithfulness in destruction.—PSALM lxxxviii. 11.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you.—1 St. Peter i. 3, 4.

God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away.—Rev. xxi. 4.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout; with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first.

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the

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For these things I weep: mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the Comforter that should relieve my soul is far from me: my children are desolate because the enemy prevailed.—LAM. i. 16.

Behold, O Lord; for I am in distress: abroad the sword bereaveth, at home there is as death.—LAM. i. 20, first and last clauses.

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return unto God Who gave it.—ECCLES. xii. 7.

clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.—1 THESS. iv. 16—18.

Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.—ST. JOHN xi. 25, 26.

He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall He take away from off all the earth; for the Lord hath spoken it.—ISAIAH xxv. 8.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear shall live.

For as the Father hath life in Himself:

As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away; so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more to his house;

Neither shall his place know him any more.

Therefore I will not refrain my mouth: I will speak in the anguish of my spirit: I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.—JOB vii. 9—11.

Man dieth, and wasteth away; yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?—JOB xiv. 10.

so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself.—St. John v. 25, 26.

Now they desire a better country, that is an heavenly; wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He hath prepared for them a city.

Despise not thou the chastening of the Lord.

When my heart is overwhelmed, lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.

The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.—Heb. xi. 16. Prov. iii. 11, first clause. Psalm lxi. 2, last clauses. Job i. 21, last clauses.

Ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

When Christ Who is our life shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.—Col. iii. 3, 4.

If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.—JOB xiv. 14.

Now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again?

I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.—2 SAM. xii. 23.

Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.

He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.—JOB xiv. 1, 2.

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is.—1 St. John iii. 2.

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.—St. John iii. 16, 17.

Our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby

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One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never eateth with pleasure.

They shall lie down alike in the dust.—JOB xxi. 23, 25, 26, first clause.

Man being in honour abideth not; he is like the beasts that perish.

Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them, and their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling.

But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave.—PSALM xlix. 12, 14, first and last clauses, 15, first clause.

He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.—PHIL. iii. 20, 21.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.—REV. xiv. 13.

Father, I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me, be with Me where I am: that they may behold My glory which Thou hast given Me; for Thou lovedst Me before the foundation of the world.

O righteous Father, the world hath not known Thee; but I have known Thee, and these have known that Thou hast sent Me.

And I have declared unto them Thy name, and will declare it, that the love wherewith Thou hast loved Me may be in them, and I in them. — ST. JOHN xvii. 24—26.

INCREASE OF GRACE.

BEHOLD, I have longed after Thy precepts, quicken me in Thy righteousness.—PSALM cxix. 40.

My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God.—PSALM xlii. 2, first clause.

Ho! every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters.—ISAIAH lv. 1, first clause.

INCREASE OF GRACE.

Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.—PHIL. i. 6.

Blessed are they which hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled. —ST. MATT. v. 6.

Jesus said, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again.

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.—ST. JOHN iv. 13, 14.

Quicken me after Thy loving kindness; so shall I keep the testimony of Thy mouth.—PSALM cxix. 88.

I have longed for Thy salvation, O Lord, and Thy law is my delight.

Let my soul live, and it shall praise Thee: and let Thy judgments help me.—PSALM cxix. 174, 175.

Then shall we know if we follow on to know the Lord.—HOSEA vi. 3, first clause.

It is the Spirit that quickeneth, the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me except it were given unto him of the Father.—ST. JOHN vi. 63, 65.

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst: I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.—ISAIAH xli. 17.

I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree;

I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together.

Teach me and I will hold my tongue; and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.—JOB vi. 24.

Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, that ye turn not aside therefrom to the right hand or to the left;

But cleave unto the Lord your God, as ye have done unto this day.—JOSH. xxiii 6, 8.

And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children.

In righteousness shalt thou be established.—ISAIAH xli. 17 last clause, 18, 19; liv. 13, 14, first clause.

And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine.—ISAIAH xxix. 18, 24.

Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the Lord thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which He sware unto thy fathers.—DEUT. vii. 12.

Who, when he (Barnabas) came to Antioch, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.—ACTS xi. 23.

But covet earnestly the best gifts; and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way. —1 COR. xii. 31.

I am sought of them that asked not for me; I am found of them that sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation that was not called by My Name.

That he who blesseth himself in the earth, shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth, shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.—ISAI. lxv. 1, 16.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches:

To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.—REV. ii. 7, 10 last clause, 11 last clause.

Follow after charity and desire spiritual gifts.—1 COR. xiv. 1, first and second clauses.

Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. —PHIL. iii. 13, 14.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches: To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written which no man knoweth saving he which receiveth it.

I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.—Rev. ii. 17, 19, 25.

He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.

Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.—ROM. xiv. 19.

Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain.

And I will be His God, and he shall be My son.—REV. iii. 5, 21; xxi. 7, second clause.

Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.

And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

To another faith by the same Spirit.—1 COR. xii. 4—9, first clause.

Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible.

I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.—1 Cor. ix. 24, 25, 27.

Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath the Father and the Son.

And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. — 2 St. John 8, 9. 1 St. John ii. 28.

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STRENGTHEN ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.—ISAIAH xxxv. 3.

When I lie down, I say, when shall I arise, and the night be gone? and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.—JOB vii. 4.

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise.—JER. xvii. 14.

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As thy days, so shall thy strength be.—DEUT. xxxiii. 25, last clause.

The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing; Thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.—PSALM xli. 3.

Behold I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto

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In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; my sore ran in the night, and healed not; my soul refused to be comforted.

I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained and my spirit was overwhelmed. —PSALM lxxvii. 2, 3.

Cast me not off in the time of old age, forsake me not when my strength faileth.—PSALM lxxi. 9.

The sword is without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that is in the field shall die with the sword: and he that

them the abundance of peace and truth.—JER. xxxiii. 6.

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort:

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.—2 COR. i. 3, 4.

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint.—ISAIAH xl. 31.

Because thou hast made the Lord which is my refuge, even the Most High thy habitation,

is in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.—EZEK. vii. 15.

Hide not Thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble: incline Thine ear unto me: in the day when I call answer me speedily.

For my days are consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as an hearth.—PSALM cii. 2, 3.

I am troubled, I am bowed down greatly. I go mourning all the day long.

For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease; and there is no soundness in my flesh.

I am feeble and sore broken.—PSALM xxxviii. 6, 7, 8, first clause.

My bones are pierced in me in the night season; and my sinews take no rest.—JOB xxx. 17.

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.—PSALM xci. 9, 10.

Thus saith the Lord God of David thy father,

I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears; behold, I will heal thee.—2 KINGS xx. 5, second and third clauses.

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings: that when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.—1 ST. PETER iv. 12, 13.

The Lord hath chastened me sore; but He hath not given me over unto death.

And the Lord struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.

David therefore besought God for the child: and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth.—2 SAM. xii. 15 second clause, 16.

My days are like a shadow that declineth, and I am withered like grass.—PSALM cii. 11.

As the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth in Christ. —PSALM cxviii. 18; 2 COR. i. 5.

O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me.

The Lord killeth, and maketh alive: He bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.

And he said, It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth Him good.—ST. MATT. xxvi. 39, second clause; 1 SAM. ii. 7; iii. 18, last clause.

My flesh and my heart faileth, but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

Incline Thine ear unto my cry.

For my soul is full of troubles, and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.—PSALM lxxxviii. 2, last clause, 3.

The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me, I found trouble and sorrow.

Then called I upon the name of the Lord; O Lord, I beseech Thee, deliver my soul.—PSALM cxvi. 3, 4.

Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his.—NUM. *xxiii. 10,* last clause.

for Thou art with me: Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.—PSALM lxxiii. 26; 2 COR. iv. 16, second clause; PSALM xxiii. 4.

The prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up, and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.—ST. JAMES v. 15, 16.

He that is our God is the God of salvation: and unto God the Lord belong the issues from death.—PSALM lxviii. 20.

Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in, in his season.

Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.—ACTS vii. 59, last clause.

The righteous hath hope in his death.

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In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

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